

DIXIE-NARCO ADDS JOBS

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 4, 2010

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, Dixie-Narco, Inc. is a company in South Carolina's Second District that produces vending machines. In late 2007, Dixie-Narco Company was acquired by Crane Corporation and they make 65 percent of all of the vending machines in North America.

I want to thank Dixie-Narco for their economic commitment to our great state and I look forward to working with them to continue to grow jobs in South Carolina. I have enjoyed working with business, state and local officials to help secure these jobs led by Eric Fast, President, CEO, and Director of Crane Company, Marty Martin of Barnwell County Development Commission, Mayor Tommy Rivers of Williston, Danny Black and Kay Maxwell of Southern Carolina Alliance, and Joe Taylor of the State Department of Commerce. But mostly, I want to thank the employees at Dixie-Narco's Williston facility for their strong work ethic—which led to the company's expansion from 500 employees to now nearly doubling.

100 millions Americans use vending machines each day and companies like Dixie-Narco are revolutionizing the industry. They offer substantial design improvements for increased volumes, dependable reliability, and increased productivity.

We appreciate Dixie-Narco adapting to this changing economy and working to promote this green industry that doesn't require customers to drive from the workplace or school for products.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and we will never forget September 11th in the Global War on Terrorism.

TRIBUTE TO WILLIAM EDWARDS

HON. DAVID G. REICHERT

OF WASHINGTON

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Mr. REICHERT. Madam Speaker, today I rise to speak about a young man in the Eighth Congressional District who earned recognition as a semifinalist in this year's Intel Science Talent Search.

Intel's Science Talent Search is our country's oldest and most prestigious pre-college science competition, and attracts some of the brightest students across the nation. Intel provides each semifinalist with a \$1,000 award and does the same for each individual school represented.

William Edwards, a student at Bonney Lake High School and a resident of Lake Tapps, WA, earned his place on this prestigious list along with 299 other innovative and inventive minds from around our Nation. It is a thrill to congratulate a hard-working and intelligent young man, William, for standing alongside the best our Nation has to offer in the fields of math, science and technology. William serves as an example of excellence, and encourages a spirit of curiosity and innovation that we must continue to foster among young people across this great nation.

The competition encourages students to tackle the challenging scientific questions of both the present and the future. I thank Intel for its leadership in this endeavor and congratulate their success in this annual competition.

**HONORING THE LIFE OF THE REV-
EREND FATHER JOSEPH W.
KUKURA****HON. STEVEN R. ROTHMAN**

OF NEW JERSEY

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Mr. ROTHMAN of New Jersey. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the extraordinary life of Father Joseph Kukura, President of the Catholic Health Care Partnership of New Jersey, who passed away on February 1, 2010.

Fr. Kukura was a scholar, an ethicist, a trusted counselor, a generous and intelligent man of faith, and a friend to many. As a parish priest at Corpus Christi in Hasbrouck Heights, as director of the Bergen County Catholic Youth Organization and through his role with the Catholic Health Care Partnership of New Jersey he served the people of my district and the entire state of New Jersey for many years. He will be greatly missed.

Madam Speaker, I know that my colleagues will join with me in honoring the life of this special man. We should all be so fortunate to leave such a wonderful legacy. I enter his obituary, which appeared in the Newark Star-Ledger on February 3, 2010, into the RECORD.

[From the Newark Star-Ledger, Feb. 3, 2010]

Rev. Joseph W. Kukura, 69, formerly of Hasbrouck Heights, a priest of the Archdiocese of Newark for 43 years, entered eternal life on Feb. 1, 2010. Rev. Kukura was the current president of the Catholic Health Care Partnership of New Jersey in Princeton, where he served for the past 10 years. "Father Joe," as he was affectionately known, was a graduate of St. Peter's Prep High School in Jersey City, and attended Seton Hall University and the Catholic University in Leuven, Belgium. Father Joe was ordained into the priesthood on June 24, 1967. As a young priest, he served at Corpus Christi R.C. Church in Hasbrouck Heights for five years, focused on youth and family ministry, and soon gained a large and faithful following in the parish. As director of the C.Y.O. in the early 1970's, he initiated powerful and popular retreat programs for high school youth. He also served as a member of the team ministry at St. Joseph's R.C. Church in Oradell. Father Joe then entered the doctoral program in moral theology at Catholic University in Washington, D.C. From there, he joined the faculty at Immaculate Conception Seminary, where he taught Christian Ethics for 15 years. He left the seminary to serve for 10 years as vice president for pastoral services at the Catholic Health Association, a national organization of Roman Catholic hospitals, headquartered in St. Louis, Mo. Father Joe returned to New Jersey in 1994, and continued his service through the Catholic Health Care Partnership of N.J., where he provided ethical consultation to New Jersey's Catholic hospitals. Father Joe served in various parishes as a visiting weekend priest, including Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha in Sparta, St. Pio in Lavallette and St. Aloysius in Jackson. He maintained contact with many of his former

parishioners, officiating at their weddings, baptizing their children, burying their loved ones, and attending special events. Always there when needed, his generous and loving spirit drew people close to him and his Christ-like example drew them closer to God. His motto was "it's the little things that count" and he lived it by his thoughtful and loving presence in the lives of those who shared his love and became his "parish." Father Joe was the loving son of the late Anna and Joseph Kukura of Bloomfield, and a dear friend to many.

**HONORING THE WORK OF POLLY
DYER, A WASHINGTON STATE
ENVIRONMENTAL LEADER****HON. JAY INSLEE**

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. INSLEE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Polly Dyer for her more than fifty years of leadership and hard work improving and protecting the environment of our nation.

Polly, along with her husband John, played a leading role in the passage of the 1964 Wilderness Act, which preserved millions of acres of land throughout the nation—the equivalent of almost 10 percent of Washington's land mass. She has made a special contribution to the protection and enhancement of the Olympic National Park and to the underwater domains of the Pacific Coast National Marine Sanctuary. Her efforts directly contributed to the development and preservation of the North Cascades National Park. She had a major role in the creation of the North Cascades Conservation Council, the Puget Sound Alliance, and was a key player in the formation of the Puget Sound Water Quality Authority.

My family and I have hiked the trails and slept under the stars on land she fought hard to save for future generations. We know and honor the great heritage she is preserving for our nation.

Polly Dyer has mentored, inspired and nurtured several generations of wilderness leaders in Washington State. On and off the trail, in and out of the halls of Congress, Polly Dyer is the exemplar of a wilderness leader. Thank you, Polly Dyer, for everything that you have done.

**RECOGNIZING THE TRANSPOR-
TATION TRADES DEPARTMENT,
AFL-CIO ON ITS 20TH ANNIVER-
SARY****HON. FRANK A. LoBIONDO**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. LoBIONDO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Transportation Trades Department, AFL-CIO as it marks its 20th anniversary as an advocate for our Nation's transportation workers. TTD serves an important role in helping policymakers and the American public understand the critical need to improve transportation and to support the men and women who help keep our Nation moving.

As the Representative for the 2nd Congressional District of New Jersey, transportation is